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Applicant: Hidetoshi ITO  
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**LETTER TO EXAMINER RE: INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the documents listed on the PTO Form 1449 submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 30, 2001 be considered and made of record by the Examiner, and that an initialed copy of form PTO Form 1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP § 609 as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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